

REMARKS

The Office Action Summary of March 26, 2007 has been reviewed and carefully considered.

I. In the Drawings

The Examiner has requested Applicant file formal drawings pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.81 and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d). Applicant submits herewith ten (10) sheets of replacement drawings as formal figures in response to the Examiner's rejection.

Acknowledgement and acceptance of all figures is respectfully requested.

II. Election/Restriction

Claims 1-16 are currently pending. The Examiner has requested a restriction pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 121 and 372 on grounds the application contains inventions in Groups I and II that do not relate to a single general inventive concept. In response to the request, Applicant hereby provisionally elects without traverse to prosecute the subject matter of Group I drawn to a conveyor belt with end link attachment rods as claimed in claims 1-12. Applicant hereby withdraws claims 13-16 from consideration without prejudice and reserves all right to subsequently prosecute the subject matter thereof.

III. Conclusion

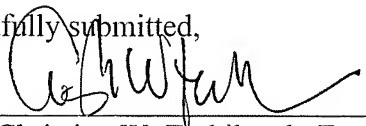
Applicant respectfully submits that the patent application and the claims therein are in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested.

Applicant would appreciate the courtesy of a telephone call should the Examiner have any questions or comments with respect to this response or the claim language for purposes of efficiently resolving same.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 03-2026 for any fees associated with this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX A

REPLACEMENT SHEETS OF DRAWINGS